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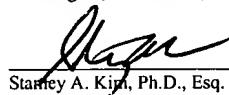
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The claimed invention is believed patentable over the disclosures enclosed. This citation is intended to give the Examiner an opportunity to make an independent evaluation. No representations are made regarding these materials.

Respectfully submitted,

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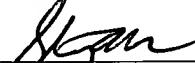
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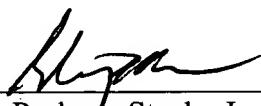
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